



DEEP SOUTH REGION

GAMES RALLY
OCTOBER 23-24, 2009

HALLOWEEN PARTY & COSTUME CONTEST
Oct 24, 2009

HARRISON COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI

Hosted by Emerald Coast and Saddle Up Pony Clubs

We need our Deep South Region Pony Clubbers to come and have some Halloween FUN and participate in our Games and Quiz Rallies!

RALLY OFFICIALS

Technical Delegate: **Jackie Horn**

Judge: **Frank Horn**

Chief Horse Management Judge: **Joe White**

Scorer: **Joan Singletary**

ENTRY FEE: \$90 per rider
CLOSING DATE: October 10th

This will be a qualifying Games Rally for 2010 Championships if we have at least two teams in a qualifying division. This rally will be run under the following Rules & Guidelines
2009 USPC Handbook & Rules for Games Competition
2009 USPC Annual Newsletter for Games
2007 USPC Horse Management Handbook & Rules for Competitions

The following Divisions will be offered if participation allows:

(NOTE: The criteria for these divisions are based on proposed changes for 2010 Championships, which we felt could be used for this regional rally. Every effort should be made to form teams based on current rulebook criteria, with the following used only if needed to form a full team for any of the qualifying divisions.)

With the exception of Walk-Trot division, all teams must consist of 4 – 5 members

Walk-Trot: Non qualifying, for members who do not feel comfortable cantering. Teams of 2 to 5 riders accompanied by a C level member or adult.

Junior: Members of the team must be 12 years or less as of January 1, 2010. To qualify for Championships 2010, riders must be rated D2 or higher at the time of our regional Rally and between 10 and 12 years of age as of January 1, 2010.

Senior: Members of the team must be 15 years of age or less as of January 1, 2010. To Qualify for Championships 2010, riders must be rated D3 or higher at the time of the Rally and between 10 and 15 years of age as of January 1, 2010.

Advanced: Members of the team must be between 13 and 18 years of age as of January 1, 2010. To qualify for Championships 2010, riders must be C1 or higher at the time of the Rally.

NOTE: A junior-age player may “play up” on to a Sr. team, and any Sr age player may “play up” on to an Advanced team. In each case, they must meet the minimum rating requirement for the Division in which they are riding. In no instance may a player “play down” to a division.

Tentative Games List

Junior, Senior and Advanced

Bending Race
Two Flag
Sword Race
Ball and Bucket
Mug Shuffle
Windsor Castle
Golf Ball and Spoon
Pony Express
Needle and Thread
Carton Race
Ball and Cone
Rope Race
Ring Race
Litter Race
Balloon Race
Pony Club Race

Walk Trot

Bending Race
Two Flag
Sword Race
Ball and Bucket
Mug Shuffle
Needle and Thread
Carton
Ring Race
Pony Club Race

Tentative Schedule

Friday, Oct 23

- 2:00 PM** Barns open
- 6:00 PM** Competitor Briefing, Helmet Checks followed by Jogs and Weights and Measures.
- 7:30 PM** Barns Close

Saturday, Oct 24

- 7:00 AM** Barns open
- 7:30 AM** Volunteer/parents brief
- 8:15 AM** Formals
- 9:00 AM** Games
- 12:00 Noon** Lunch
- 1:00 PM** Games
- TBA Awards Ceremony**

Costume contest and Halloween Party to follow awards.

Horse Management:

- Remember in “Games” there is no designated Stable Manager for each team. All team members share this responsibility. Each team does designate a Team Captain to represent the team during the Rally.
- Horse Management competition will be judged on an "overnight rally" basis.
- Stalls will be available for Tack Rooms and Feed Rooms.
- Since we expect participants to arrive and check in on Friday, Horse Management will be available at 2:00 PM Friday until the barn closes on Saturday.

There will not be any separation of Barns for the Games Rally.

Stall shavings: 2 bags are provided with each entry. Extra shavings will be available for purchase.

Awards: Ribbons will be awarded to all teams in order of overall placing for each division. Ribbons will be awarded for Horse Management in order of overall placing for each division. Medals will be awarded to the first place overall team in each division.

Special Awards:

White Lightning Award - a special perpetual trophy in memory of Missa, Brittany Brown's ultimate games pony. Awarded to the “top” Senior Team.

Buttercup Award - a special perpetual trophy in memory of Buttercup, beloved partner of Sarah Dabney Threadgill. Awarded to the “top” horse management team in the Advanced Division.

Hotel: Crystal Inn - \$89.00 plus tax. Each guest must call in under group block code “Deep South Pony Club” in order to get the rate. The block release date will be October 10, 2009 at which time any unsold rooms will be released. Reservations may be made by calling 877-462-7978 or the hotel direct at 228-822-9600. RV hookups are available at the Fairgrounds.

Food: Available at the concession stand provided by Emerald Coast Pony Club.

TO ALL DC'S

In hopes of making the turn around time back to the DC a lot quicker, the complete packet has been sent to all regional members via e-mail. Please verify that all members of your club have received a copy. We hope this helps you to get your club entry back to us by the **Oct 10th** deadline.

Prior to sending your completed club package, PLEASE double-check that it is complete.

Club Packet must Include:

A. *Per Competitor*

- 1 Competitor Information Form (must have original signatures)
- 2 2009 Medical Release Form (May be a copy)
- 3 Copy of 12 Month Current Negative Coggins (must be good through completion of rally)
- 4 T-shirt order forms with separate check from entries to SUPC. Personal checks accepted.

B. *Per Club*

- 1 2009 Games Rally Entry Form
- 2 Uniform Chaperone Rules/Duties (*one per team*)
- 3 Volunteer Sheet
- 4 Club Check for Full Amount of Entry Fees Written To [Saddle Up PC](#)

MAIL COMPLETED CLUB PACKETS TO:

**Josephine Austin
153 N. Maple St.
Ridgland, MS 39157
601-853-9127**

All adults coming with the Pony Clubbers will be assigned a job at this Rally.

VOLUNTEER SHEET

Please write your name by your preferred job. Please mark at least 1 volunteer per participant.

You cannot be a Chaperone and volunteer for another job.

JOB	Name	Phone #	E-mail-Please
Line / Lane Judge			
Games Set Up			
Warm Up- Steward			
Gate Steward			
ASSISTANT HORSE MANAGEMENT JUDGE			
Where ever I am needed			

Write clearly

We may need you to do jobs other than your preference. Please try to be flexible and understanding if you are asked to do different job.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!

The volunteers make these rallies happen.

WITH OUT YOU WE COULD NOT PUT THIS ON.

If you have any questions concerning this form please contact Josephine Austin

E-mail: jtsaa@netdoor.com

Appendix B Uniform Chaperone Rules/Duties

Revised and effective January 1, 2007

To be completed and turned in with rally entry.

Chaperone duties shall include:

1. The primary function of the “official team Chaperone is to ensure that there is a contact person for each team or individual present and on grounds for the duration of the competition. Team Chaperones must be available to Rally Officials and team members at all times.
2. Have copy of and be familiar with the rules for the competition (discipline rulebook) and the current edition of the HM Handbook and Rules for Rally. . *Rulebooks can be downloaded from the USPC website at ponyclub.org*
3. Uphold USPC Policy 0500 Drug/Alcohol/Tobacco. Chaperones must refrain from using alcohol or other substances when they are serving in their “official capacity” as team Chaperone *-refer to USPC website ponyclub.org for full policy statement*
4. Be present and available to Rally Officials and all team members for the duration of the competition. Delegate duties to another individual if for any reason you must leave the competition grounds during the hours of competition to respond to a request by the Rally Officials or any team member.
5. Have a copy of the signed USPC Medical Release Form for all team members in their possession for the duration of the competition.
6. Be sure to have a means of contacting parents or designated responsible person for all team members in the event that you should need to contact them during the hours that you are responsible for those team members (hours of competition).
7. Have a means of contacting all team members and the parent or responsible person for those hours after competition and when not on competition grounds (evening/nights).
8. Know the plans for the control of and administration of any prescribed medications that are taken by a team member. Be fully aware of the plan for any emergency medications that may be indicated such as Epi-Pens or inhalers to include the location of these medications. Any plans for administration of medications by any other than a parent/guardian must be decided by the parent/guardian in agreement with the person assuming that responsibility in their absence
9. Be familiar with the effects of heat and humidity and the potential risk for heat related illness. Take active role in helping to keep all team members well hydrated, the importance of hydration cannot be overstated! Take every opportunity to encourage water breaks. *Refer to the Uniform Officiation Rules found in the current HM Handbook and Rules for Rallies.*
10. Delegate duties of the team Chaperone to another responsible adult if for any reason you should have to leave the competition grounds during the hours of competition making it clear that they are to respond to Rally Officials and any team members in your absences. Be sure to leave the copies of USPC Medical Release forms and all contact information with this person.
11. In cases of Scramble Teams the Competition Organizer will determine the “Official Team Chaperone”.

I have read and understand the duties of a chaperone as listed above.

Name of Chaperone Signature Date

(_____)

Cell Phone Number

COMPETITOR INFORMATION FORM – ACTIVITY/RALLY

Please Print Clearly

IMPORTANT: Fill in the details for your specific discipline

Name of Participant/Competitor: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

DOB: _____ Age on 1/1/2010 Rating: _____ Email: _____

Parent(s): Cell Phone#: (_____) _____

Region: _____

Breed of Horse/Pony: _____ Name of Pony Club: _____

Games: Junior _____ Senior _____ Advanced _____ Other _____

Riders weight: _____ Pony's Height in Hands: _____ H.

Qualifying for championships: yes _____ no _____

The above information is correct for Deep South Games Rally.

Signature of Pony Club Member Date _____

I/We, the parent(s) of _____ have reviewed the above information and we agree to allow our child to compete in the discipline and at the level as so noted above in the United States Pony Club Activity/Rally.

Parent/Guardian Signature (Only 1 signature required) Date Parent/Guardian Signature Date

CODE OF CONDUCT

USPC is proud of its reputation for good sportsmanship, horsemanship, teamwork and well-behaved members. The USPC and the organizers and officials of USPC Activities/Rallies expect appropriate behavior from all competitors, parent(s) and others participating in any USPC Activity/Rally.

Inappropriate behavior is, but not limited to:

- Possession, use, or distribution of any illegal drugs or alcohol
- Assault
- Profanity, vulgar language or gestures
- Harassment – using words or actions that intimidate, threaten or persecute others
- Cheating
- Abusing a horse

Any USPC member or parent not conforming to the Code of Conduct is subject to the following action:

1. The Officials of the competition may immediately suspend or expel an individual from the competition upon consulting with the Ground Jury.

I have read and agree to abide by the above Code of Conduct and the Rules of the Activity in which I am participating for Deep South Region 2010 Games Rally, 23-24 October, 2009.

Competitors Signature Date AND Parent/Guardian Signature (only one required) Date

**GAMES RALLY T-SHIRT ORDER FORM
SHIRTS \$10.00 EACH**

	SIZE	QUANTITY	COST
ADULT XL	_____	_____	_____
ADULT L	_____	_____	_____
ADULT M	_____	_____	_____
ADULT S	_____	_____	_____
CHILD L	_____	_____	_____
CHILD M	_____	_____	_____
CHILD S	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL		_____	_____

**T-SHIRTS WILL BE INCLUDED WITH PACKETS WHEN COMPETITORS ARRIVE
SOME SHIRTS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE RALLY BUT ONLY A FEW
EXTRAS ARE BEING ORDERED OVER THE NUMBER PREORDERED SO PLEASE
ORDER AHEAD.**

**NOTE: SEPARATE CHECK TO SADDLE UP PONY CLUB FOR T-SHIRT ORDERS
PLEASE.**



2009 MEDICAL RELEASE FORM

USPC ♦ 4041 Iron Works Pkwy ♦ Lexington, KY 40511-8483 ♦ (859) 254-7669 ♦ memberservices@ponyclub.org

PROPERTY OF THE UNITED STATES PONY CLUBS, INC.

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

Section 1. ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND WAIVER

I understand that there are inherent risks of serious injury or even death possible with equine activities. I hereby, intending to be legally bound, for myself, my heirs, and assigns, executors and administrators, waive and release forever any and all liability, and all claims for damages against The United States Pony Clubs, Inc. (USPC), Board of Governors, Instructors, Administrators, Volunteers and/or Employees for any and all injuries and/or losses I/my son/my daughter/my ward may sustain associated with my child's voluntary participation in USPC activities.

OR

ORIGINAL SIGNATURE OF USPC MEMBER APPLICANT DATE
REQUIRED IF APPLICANT IS OF THE AGE OF MAJORITY IN THEIR STATE OF RESIDENCE

ORIGINAL SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT'S PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN DATE
REQUIRED IF APPLICANT IS UNDER THE AGE OF MAJORITY IN THEIR STATE OF RESIDENCE

Section 2. USPC MEDICAL WAIVER AND TREATMENT RELEASE

In consideration of my/my child's participation in a United States Pony Club, Inc. (USPC) activity, and the inherent risks of equine activity that may result in injury/harm requiring emergency medical treatment, I authorize the United States Pony Club, Inc., its successors or assigns, officials, officers, directors, employees, agents and/or volunteers to obtain and release to any USPC activity personnel (including, but not limited to, organizers, instructors, test examiners, chaperons), and to any first aid and safety personnel, medical professionals, and treating medical facility, any information regarding my/my child's medical history, symptoms, treatment, exam results and/or diagnosis.

I have read this entire release and agree to it.

OR

ORIGINAL SIGNATURE OF USPC MEMBER APPLICANT DATE
REQUIRED IF APPLICANT IS OF THE AGE OF MAJORITY IN THEIR STATE OF RESIDENCE

ORIGINAL SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT'S PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN DATE
REQUIRED IF APPLICANT IS UNDER THE AGE OF MAJORITY IN THEIR STATE OF RESIDENCE

RELATED INFORMATION

Club No. _____ Club Name _____ Region _____

Member Name _____ Birth Date ____/____/____

Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s)/Spouse _____

Address _____

Home No. (____) _____ - _____ Cell No. (____) _____ - _____ Work No. (____) _____ - _____

If Parent or Guardian is unavailable,

Contact _____ Phone No. (____) _____ - _____

Family Physician _____ Phone No. (____) _____ - _____

My child is allergic to _____

Other medical conditions _____

My child takes the following medications _____

_____ for _____

Medical Insurance Company _____ Policy No. _____

NOTE: As a member of the United States Pony Clubs, Inc., the above named child is insured for emergency accident medical treatment under the USPC Accident Plan. This coverage is in excess of valid and collectible benefits available under any Blue Cross or Blue Shield group plan, or any group, blanket or franchise insurance plan.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

As parent or guardian of the above named child, please attempt to contact me at the time of the accident or illness without postponing medical treatment.

Other _____

OTHER INSTRUCTIONS FOR TREATMENT RELEASE

Organizers and DCs must retain this form with original signatures on file. Various officials may hold copies; e.g. medical personnel on site, instructors, test examiners and chaperones.

REPORT OF EXISTING MEDICAL CONDITION(S)

Does the above named Pony Cub member have any medical condition(s) that may be affected by mounted or unmounted participation in Pony Club activities? Yes No

IF YOU ANSWERED YES TO THE ABOVE QUESTION, COMPLETE SECTION 3 ON PAGE 2.

Section 3. MEDICAL RELEASE FOR ACTIVITY PARTICIPATION FOR MEMBERS WITH A PRE-EXISTING MEDICAL CONDITION

Member Name _____

The USPC wishes to take reasonable steps to maintain the safety of USPC members. Members with medical /disabilities conditions (including pregnancy) that may be aggravated by mounted or unmounted activities must provide a MEDICAL RELEASE FOR PARTICIPATION Form signed by the examining physician.

A copy of this form must be on file with:

- ♦ the Club DC for club activities, or
- ♦ the RS for regional activities, or
- ♦ the USPC National Office for national activities.

USPC leaders and instructors always have the sole discretion to remove any individual from an activity if safety is a concern.

A copy of the USPC Standards of proficiency for the rating level of the individual member MUST be provided to the physician for review. In USPC ratings, the Standards of Proficiency are not to be modified or adapted to enable the individual to meet the standards.

This notice must be given at least 15 days prior to participation.

The responsibility for notice of a medical condition/disability and providing the completed release in a timely manner lies solely with the USPC member, parents, and/or legal guardian. The parents are also responsible for updating this release if the medical condition changes. USPC leaders are not required to seek out members and inquire about medical conditions.

PENALTY

The failure to provide the USPC leaders with information regarding a member’s medical condition/disability and to comply with the guidelines for notice, medical participation release, and consent requirements shall require that the member be disqualified from participation in USPC activities, and shall be a material misrepresentation that the USPC member has no medical condition/disability which might affect his/her participation.

EXAMINING PHYSICIAN’S RELEASE

Physician Name _____ Office No. (_____) _____ – _____

Address _____

Licensure No. _____ State of _____

The above-named member has been seen by me on _____ / _____ / _____

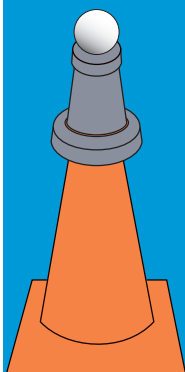
I hereby release the above named USPC member to participate in mounted and unmounted equine activities. I am familiar with all of the requirements of USPC mounted and unmounted events. If I believe the member may participate in some of the events, but not in others, I will list them below.

Medical Condition _____

Limitations (use additional pages to explain, if necessary) _____

Physician Signature _____ Date _____ / _____ / _____

GAMES NEWSLETTER 2009



Games for Championships East, 2009:

- Ball & Bucket
- Ball & Cone
- Balloon
- Ball & Racket
- Bending
- Canadian
- Five Flag
- Hi-Lo
- Housewife's Scurry
- Hurdle
- Litter
- Spillers
- Stepping Stone
- Sword
- Three Mug
- Windsor Castle

Tie-breaker:

- Two Flag

Clarification of Section 1, Article 10, Emergency:

Add after the last sentence: At this time, the Judging Committee will rule on the race as if it had been completed. Any team which has already completed the race error free will be placed in the order of finish, and any team with infractions will be eliminated or disqualified as appropriate. Once these determinations have been made, any teams which have not finished and have not been eliminated or disqualified for an error prior to the stoppage will then re-run the race in order to determine the final placing. If there is only one team remaining, that team must still re-run the race error-free to be awarded a placing.

Regional Pinnies:

Beginning with the 2009 Championships, Teams are required to wear Regional Pinnies made in conformity with Section 1, Article 6. The Pinney design must be approved by the USPC Games Committee Chair. Please submit two copies of a color sketch containing both pinney designs (in the event a second place team from a Region is invited) on an 8-1/2 by 11" sheet of paper to the Chair of the Games Committee by June 1. If approved, one of the copies will be returned to the RS with the approval so noted. The other copy will be retained for Committee records.

Prince Philip Cup, 2009:

In prior years when there were Western Championships, two Teams from the Western Championships joined 4 Teams from the Eastern Championships for the Prince Philip Cup. Because of the ongoing construction for WEG in 2010, the venue for Games has only enough room to run 4 teams safely. Accordingly, only 3 teams will come from the East and only 1 team from the West. Going forward, it would appear that only 4 teams will be invited. The Games Committee, subject to Activities Council approval, is seeking a venue for a similar demonstration in the West. Any suggestions for such a venue are welcome.

Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games:

The Games Committee has been informed by the WEG Advisory Committee that Games may be a demonstration sport showcasing and promoting USPC at the World Equestrian Games at the Kentucky Horse Park in 2010. A final decision will not be announced by the WEG until March. In preparation for this, the Committee will recommend to the Activities Council that the top two teams (more if the invitation allows) from the Advanced Division at the 2010 Championships for the demonstrations (Juniors already have Prince Philip Cup at Rolex and Seniors the Presidents' Cup at Fair Hill). Acceptance of any such invitation is entirely contingent upon being able to find an independent donor(s) to cover the costs.

